

CLAIMED INVENTION

We claim:

- 1 1. A method, implemented on a processing system, comprising:
2 receiving a request for network configuration information from a client
3 processing system;
4 sending network configuration information from a server processing
5 system to the client processing system, the network configuration information
6 having added to it, at least one of presentation information, or an address
7 representative of said presentation information such that information is
8 presented when the client processing system uses the network configuration
9 information.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the network configuration information is
2 network initialization information and wherein said information is determined at
3 least in part by said network configuration information.
- 1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the network configuration information is
2 formatted in accordance with a configuration protocol.
- 1 4. The method of claim 3, wherein the configuration protocol is the Dynamic
2 Host Configuration Protocol.

1 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the presentation information causes text
2 to be presented.

1 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the presentation information includes a
2 URL command.

1 7. The method of claim 6, wherein the URL command references a web page.

1 8. The method of claim 7, wherein the web page contains commercial
2 information.

1 9. A method, implemented on a processing system, comprising:
2 requesting network configuration information from a server processing
3 system;
4 receiving network configuration information at a client processing system,
5 the network configuration information having added to it presentation
6 information such that information is presented when the client processing
7 system uses the network configuration information.

1 10. A device comprising:
 2 a receiving unit to receive a request for network configuration information
 3 from a client processing system;
 4 a sending unit to send network configuration information from a server
 5 processing system to the client processing system, the network configuration
 6 information having added to it presentation information such that information is
 7 presented when the client processing system uses the network configuration
 8 information.

1 11. The device of claim 10, wherein the network configuration information is
 2 network initialization information.

1 12. The device of claim 10, wherein the network configuration information is
 2 formatted in accordance with a configuration protocol.

1 13. The device of claim 12, wherein the configuration protocol is the Dynamic
 2 Host Configuration Protocol.

1 14. The device of claim 10, wherein the presentation information causes text
 2 to be presented.

1 15. The device of claim 10, wherein the presentation information includes a
2 URL command.

1 16. The device of claim 15, wherein the URL command references a web page.

1 17. The device of claim 16, wherein the web page contains commercial
2 information.

1 18. A device comprising:
2 a requesting unit to request network configuration information from a
3 server processing system;
4 a receiving unit to receive network configuration information at a client
5 processing system, the network configuration information having added to it
6 presentation information such that information is presented when the client
7 processing system uses the network configuration information.

1 19. A machine readable medium that provides executable instruction, which
2 when executed by a processing system, cause the processing system to perform a
3 method, the method comprising:
4 receiving a request for network configuration information from a client
5 processing system;

6 sending network configuration information from a server processing
7 system to the client processing system, the network configuration information
8 having added to it presentation information such that information is presented
9 when the client processing system uses the network configuration information.

1 20. The machine-readable medium of claim 19, wherein the network
2 configuration information is network initialization information.

1 21. The machine-readable medium of claim 19, wherein the network
2 configuration information is formatted in accordance with a configuration
3 protocol.

1 22. The machine-readable medium of claim 21, wherein the configuration
2 protocol is the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol.

1 23. The machine-readable medium of claim 19, wherein the presentation
2 information causes text to be presented.

1 24. The machine-readable medium of claim 19, wherein the presentation
2 information includes a URL command.

1 25. The machine-readable medium of claim 24, wherein the URL command
2 references a web page.

1 26. The machine-readable medium of claim 25, wherein the web page
2 contains commercial information.

1 27. A machine-readable medium, that provides executable instruction, which
2 when executed by a processing system, cause the processing system to perform a
3 method, the method comprising:

4 requesting network configuration information from a server processing
5 system;

6 receiving network configuration information at a client processing system,
7 the network configuration information having added to it presentation
8 information such that information is presented when the client processing
9 system uses the network configuration information.